
Validation of the Name *Anthurium lorentense* (Araceae)

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ABSTRACT. The new species *Anthurium lorentense* Croat was invalidly published in 1991, lacking a Latin diagnosis. This oversight is corrected with the validation of the name.

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In taxonomic revision of section *Pachyneurium* Schott in *Anthurium* Schott (Araceae), the new species *A. lorentense* Croat was mistakenly published without a Latin diagnosis. According to Article 32.1(d) of the *International Code of Botanical Nomenclature* (McNeill, 2006), the name was invalid. A diagnosis is provided herein to validate *A. lorentense*.

Anthurium lorentense Croat, sp. nov. TYPE: Peru. Loreto: Prov. Maynas, Dist. Iquitos, Río Mamon & Quebrada Mamoncillo, 1 km from Río Nanay, 200 m, *T. B. Croat 51226* (holotype, MO 2813874-80; isotypes, B, CAS, DUKE, F, K, MO, NY, US, USM, VEN).

Planta epiphytica; internodia brevia, (1–)2.5–5 cm diam.; cataphyllum 4–6 cm longum, unciformis; petiolus 2.5–10 (–16) cm longus, in litteram D formatus vel quadrangularis, adaxialiter applanatus vel sulcatus, abaxialiter 3 ad 8 costatus; lamina obovata vel oblanceolata vel elliptica, (36–)56–120(–168) cm longa, 30–50 cm lata, nervis primariis lateralibus utrinque 10 ad 21; inflorescentia pler-

umque pendens; spatha 5.5–24(–35) cm longa, 1.2–3 cm lata; spadix marronius vel rubello-violaceus, 7.5–28 cm longus, 6–11 mm diam.; baccae purpureo-violaceae.

Described from Peru, the distribution of *Anthurium lorentense* also extends into Ecuador and Amazonian Brazil. The new species is distinguished by its hook-shaped cataphylls and D-shaped to quadrangular petioles. Its leaves are large, to 120 cm or more in length and to 50 cm or more in width, with the blades obovate to oblanceolate to elliptic. The inflorescences are spreading to pendent and long-pedunculate, with peduncles to 80 cm. The spathe is 2/3 to 3/4 the length of the spadix and parallel to the maroon to reddish violet spadix. A complete English description of the species as well as discussion, exsiccatae, and photographs can be found in the taxonomic revision of *Anthurium* sect. *Pachyneurium* Schott (Croat, 1991: figs. 17, 182, 186).

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